(e) and (f) Accurate projections regarding financial requirements are possible only after baseline surveys to identify the existing gaps in secondary education are conducted by State Governments. Since the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) at the higher secondary stage (classes 11 and 12) was only 27.82% (as per the Selected Educational Statistics, 2004-05, with reference date 30.09.2004), attempting universalisation of education at the higher secondary stage would be premature. Even for the secondary stage (classes 9 and 10) with Gross Enrolment Ratio of 51.65% (as on 30.9.2004), universalisation (*i.e.*, improving GER close to 100%) does not appear feasible during the 11th Five Year Plan. For secondary education sector, an allocation of Rs. 53,550 crore has been made in the 11th Five Year Plan, out of which Rs. 20,120 crore is earmarked primarily for improving access through creation of additional infrastructure and resources.

Fruit and vegetable processing unit

*553. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number and the details of fruit and vegetable processing units, State-wise alongwith the details of their capacities; and

(b) the details of special incentives proposed for Uttar Pradesh in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) The details of the number of fruits and vegetables processing units, State-wise, along with the details of their capacities based on information available in respect of units registered under Fruit Products Order, 1955 are given the Statement (*See* below).

Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI) under its Plan Scheme extends financial assistance to all implementing agencies for Establishment/Upgradation/Modernization of Food Processing Industries including fruits and vegetable processing industries. The assistance is provided in the form of grant in aid @ 25% of the cost of Plant and Machinery and Technical Civil Work maximum upto Rs. 75 lakhs in difficult areas such as Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand Sikkim, North Eastern States, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep and Integrated Tribal Development Project (ITDP) areas. Proposals from Implementing Agencies in Uttar Pradesh for setting up/expansion/ modernization of food processing unit, which are technically feasible and financially viable, are considered for financial assistance under the scheme.

In order to ensure speedy disbursement of financial assistance, the Ministry has decentralize the disbursement procedure through banks under the scheme of setting up/modernization/ expansion of food processing industries with effect from 01.04.2007. Now the applicants will be able to avail grant through the neighbourhood Banks which have appraised the project and provided loans to them.

Under its Plan Schemes, the Ministry also provides assistance for setting up of Food Testing Labs, Implementation of Quality Systems such as Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP), International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 9000, Promotion of Research and Development, Capacity Building and Human Resource Development in food processing.

Statement

The State-wise details of Fruits and Vegetables Processing Units

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	No. of Unit Manufacturing fruits and vegetables products	Installed capacity in MT
1.	Maharashtra	865	283430
2.	Goa	38	8180
3.	M.P.	95	40590
4.	Chhattisgarh	4	420
5.	Gujarat	234	120870
6.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	6	480
7.	Assam	44	8260
8.	Arunachal Pradesh	2	60
9.	Manipur	14	2510
10.	Meghalaya	10	390
11.	Mizoram	3	885
12.	Nagaland	7	1920
13.	Sikkim	3	770
14.	Tripura	6	2770
15.	Delhi	181	43510
16.	Chandigarh	15	4620
17.	Rajasthan	111	20100
18.	Haryana	176	101540
19.	J&K	102	20330
20.	Punjab	240	121410
21.	Himachal Pradesh	130	91625
22.	Uttar Pradesh	497	138780
23.	Uttarakhand	108	29510
24.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	3	200
25.	Bihar	39	12440
26.	Jharkhand	23	4160
27.	Orissa	17	11310
28.	West Bengal	267	109341
29.	Andhra Pradesh	237	887658
30.	Karnataka	247	208904
31.	Kerala	368	41340
32.	Pondicherry (UT)	9	1680
33.	Tamil Nadu	432	360826
	TOTAL:	4533	2680819